



Irene Roy

October 3, 1909 - February 4, 2005

Irene Elizabeth Roy, 95, of Kankakee, died Friday (Feb. 4, 2005) at Prairieview Lutheran Home in Danforth. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Monday at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, West Kankakee, with a 4 p.m. wake service. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Tuesday at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Kankakee, where she was a lifetime member. Burial will be in Mt. Calvary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Mrs. Roy was born Oct. 3, 1909 in Coal City, the daughter of Remi and Josephine Bosman Vassen. She married Louis Lecour Roy on Aug. 22, 1936 at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church. He preceded her in death on Sept. 26, 1999. She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Shirley Roy of Ramona, Calif.; her daughter and son-in-law, Suzette and George Flageole of Kankakee; seven grandchildren and spouses, Patricia and Gary Payne of Keokuk, Iowa, Annette Davis of LaQuinta, Calif., Douglas and Jean Marie Flageole of Chebanse, Lisa and Michael Riegel of Bonfield, John and Bianca Roy and Tom Roy, all of San Diego, Renee and Michael Blood of Round Rock, Texas; 16 great-grandchildren, Elizabeth, Lauren and David Flageole, Holly, Scott and Sara Riegel, Nicole and Kelsey Payne, Andrew and Allison Davis, Anneke, Paul, Silvia and Owen Roy, Hannah and Molly Blood; and four sisters-in-law, Mildred Roy of Kankakee, Lola Roy of Bluford, Iris Mulvihill of Osprey, Fla., and Pearl Vassen of Kankakee. Other relatives who preceded her in death are her parents; one great-granddaughter, Kayle Payne; four brothers, Rothchild,

Joseph, Ray and Emile; and three sisters, Rachel, Josephine and Helen. Mrs. Roy received her education in the Kankakee Public Schools. In the early 1930s, she owned the Ave. Shop on Schuyler Ave., where she designed and sold hats. She was an accomplished seamstress, loved to read, play golf and was an avid Bridge player, belonging to many clubs; but was especially fond of the Kiciwoa Club (an Indian name that means friendship) that she started in December of 1938 and continued to be a member. She was a member of St. Patrick's CCW and had belonged to the Tuesday Book Review, the Easter Seal Ladies and the Home Extension Association. In her later years she continued to teach her family about the power of prayer by praying for the needs of each child and grandchild. Her family was her greatest joy and she was an inspiration to all of them. Please sign her guestbook at clancygernon.com. (Pd.)

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